

THE HONORABLE BENJAMIN H. SETTLE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL MORSE,  
a/k/a Michael Morrison

Defendant.

No. CR13-5185BHS

STIPULATED MOTION AND  
ORDER TO CONTINUE  
STATUS CONFERENCE

COMES NOW the defendant herein, Michael Morse, by and through his attorney, Brett A. Purtzer of the Hester Law Group, Inc., P.S., and moves this court to continue the status conference hearing presently set for April 28, 2014 to May 12, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

THIS MOTION is based on the files and records herein and upon the agreement of the parties.

DATED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

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**ORDER**

Before this court is a motion to continue the status conference presently scheduled for April 28, 2014 as the Government's expert has been given until May 7, 2014 in which to complete their evaluation of Mr. Morse.

AUSA Bruce Miyake is aware of this motion and has no objection to this request.

That the Court finds, after a consideration of all relevant information and the circumstances of this case, that without this continuance the defendant will be prejudiced and the ability to properly prepare for trial would be impaired. Failure to grant a continuance under these circumstances would result in a miscarriage of justice. The ends of justice would best be served by the granting of the motion to ensure continuity of counsel and adequate trial preparation. The ends of justice outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in having the matter brought to trial sooner.

For these reasons, the Court finds the defendant's motion for continuance should be granted.

The status conference date of April 28, 2014 is hereby STRICKEN and the status conference hearing shall be continued to May 12, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.


IT IS SO ORDERED.

DONE IN OPEN COURT this 25 day of April, 2014.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Lee Ann Mathews, hereby certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, that on the day set forth below, I delivered true and correct copies of the Stipulated Motion and Order Continuing the Status Conference to which this certificate is attached, e-mail to the following:

United States Attorney's Office – Bruce Miyake

United States District Court Clerk's Office

and by U.S. Mail to:

Michael Morse - defendant

Signed at Tacoma, Washington this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

/s/ Lee Ann Mathews  
Lee Ann Mathews